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Sir:

Re: New United States Patent Application
Inventor(s): Wills et al.
Title: VARIABLE OPTICAL ATTENUATOR
Our File: 10-579 US

Enclosed for the filing of a new patent application in the United States are:

1. Declaration partially signed by the Inventors;
2. 10 pages of specification, 20 claims, 2 being independent; Abstract of the Disclosure;
3. Formal drawings including figures 1 to 12 (9 pages of figures);
4. Information Disclosure Statement and references;

The following fees are payable:

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Enclosed is a self-addressed return postcard to indicate receipt of application by the USPTO.

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Respectfully submitted,

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